

FY 2021-22 Budget Amendment Form

Budget Amendment

Fund a full-time Public Health Educator position that works directly with people experiencing homelessness to connect them with resources that enables them to keep their pets and help decrease shelter intake.

Strategic Outcome Alignment

Health and Environment

Lead Sponsor

Mackenzie Kelly

Cosponsors (optional)

Council Member Pool, Council Member Kitchen

Amount and Source of Funding

Ongoing	One-Time	FTEs	Source of Funds
\$85,595		1.00	To be determined

Additional Information

On February 1, 2018, City Council approved \$167,000 in additional grant funding from Maddie's Fund to supplement the Neighborhood Level Program (NLP). The NLP portion of the Maddie's Fund grant has funded a temporary position since FY 2018-19 to work with persons experiencing homelessness on connecting them with resources needed to keep their pets. Currently, \$12,803.50 is left on this grant, and funding for this temporary position is expected to expire in August or September 2021, which will discontinue a valuable resource for assisting persons experiencing homelessness and their pets and will also most likely increase shelter intake. Due to the prevalence of homelessness in the community, Animal Services suggests adding a dedicated full-time position to continue the work of this full-time temporary position. A 40-hour a-week position would cost \$85,595 in salary and benefits and would need to be added to the General Fund if approved in the FY 2021-22 Budget. If a full-time position could not be added, Animal Services could also utilize \$42,213 in additional budget to fund a temporary position at the current pay rate.